To: Capacasa, Jon[Capacasa.jon@epa.gov]

From: Johnson, KarenD

**Sent:** Mon 3/10/2014 2:38:50 PM

Subject: RE: Friday WV chem spill/water clips

Jon- This is our equivalent of the EAB process. This permit is a reissuance, that was extended administratively, as the regulations allow, while the new permit was negotiated. This is one of the few facilities that still had open pits for brine to be stored in before injection. Discussions with the program confirmed that PA doesn't allow pits and the UIC program negotiated installation of tanks at the site, so the pits will be eliminated. The oil and gas program side regulates the closure. The neighborhood has grown up around this facility that has been there for over 20 years. Getting rid of the pits will be a big improvement. But the issues aren't unlike our NIMBY issues including odor, complaints of spills (which sampling and inspections have not documented), the creek is already severely impacted by AMD, but the neighbors blame the well and don't want to hear that the iron and other metals are not from the brine, chlorides have not been elevated in samples downstream according to WV sampling. We have been involved with WV for about 2 years on issues onsite.

From: Capacasa, Jon

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See injection violations article. What can we do in our oversight role?

From: Ferrell, Mark

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#### Federal agents descend on site affiliated with Freedom Industries

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